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March 31, 2006

Dear Interested Party:

State law requires that physicians, hospitals, and ambulatory surgical centers report abortions to the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE). The Women's-Right-to-Know Act requires physicians who perform abortions to report to KDHE the number of certifications received. This report is a preliminary analysis of these data as collected by the KDHE Center for Health and Environmental Statistics.

In-state collection of 2005 abortion reports is complete. Other states have submitted information on 80 abortions performed on Kansas residents. Since other states may not collect information on all of the questions asked by Kansas, those answers are totaled as "not stated" with a footnote explanation. Because other states' data may continue to arrive, the *Kansas Annual Summary of Vital Statistics, 2005* will contain the final abortion data analysis. We anticipate that this report will be available by the end of the year.

In addition, this report also contains information the law requires providers to report regarding abortions performed at 22 weeks or greater and partial birth procedures. This year's report also contains a breakout table of out-of-state women receiving abortions by age.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions you have.

Sincerely,

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Center for Health and Environmental Statistics

Selected Induced Abortion Statistics Kansas, 2005		
Selected Statistics	Number	Percent *
Total* induced abortions reported	10,542	100.0
Total ** physician certifications reported	10,837	100.0
<u>Residence of Patient:</u>		
In-state residents	5,628	53.4
Out-of-state residents	4,914	46.6
Not Stated	0	n.a.
Total Reported	10,542	100.0
<u>Age Group of Patient:</u>		
Under 15 years	56	0.5
15-19 years	1,793	17.0
20-24 years	3,645	34.6
25-29 years	2,470	23.4
30-34 years	1,428	13.6
35-39 years	846	8.0
40-44 years	280	2.7
45 years and over	24	0.2
Not Stated	0	n.a.
Total Reported	10,542	100.0
<u>Race of Patient:</u>		
White	7,033	67.0
Black	2,341	22.3
Native American	69	0.7
Asian	402	3.8
Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	11	0.1
Other	422	4.0
Multi-Race	221	2.1
Not Stated ¹	43	n.a.
Total Reported	10,542	100.0

* When calculating percentages, not stated values are excluded.

* All reported, includes 80 Kansas resident abortions that occurred out of state.

This total is subject to change as other states submit information on Kansas resident abortions in their state.

** Occurrence data

¹ Patient(s) refused to provide information or information not collected by other states.

Selected Induced Abortion Statistics Kansas, 2005		
Selected Statistics	Number	Percent
<u>Hispanic Origin of Patient</u> ²		
Hispanic	1,058	10.3
Non-Hispanic	9,220	89.7
Not Stated ¹	264	n.a.
Total Reported	10,542	100.0
<u>Marital Status of Patient:</u>		
Married	1,921	18.3
Unmarried	8,592	81.7
Not Stated ¹	29	n.a.
Total Reported	10,542	100.0
<u>Weeks Gestation:</u>		
Less than 9 weeks	6,580	62.5
9-12 weeks	2,403	22.8
13-16 weeks	762	7.2
17-21 weeks	372	3.6
22 weeks & over	414	3.9
Not Stated ¹	11	n.a.
Total Reported	10,542	100.0
<u>Method of Abortion:</u>		
Suction curettage	8,410	79.8
Sharp curettage	11	0.1
Dilation & Evacuation	735	7.0
Medical Procedure I	918	8.7
Medical Procedure II	48	0.5
Intra-uterine prostaglandin instillation	4	0.0
Hysterotomy	0	0.0
Hysterectomy	1	0.0
Digoxin/Induction	415	3.9
"Partial Birth" Procedure ³	0	0.0
Other	0	0.0
Not Stated	0	n.a.
Total Reported	10,542	100.0

¹ Patient(s) refused to provide information or information not collected by other states.

² Hispanic origin may be of any race.

³ No Partial Birth procedures have been performed in Kansas since October 1999.

Selected Induced Abortion Statistics Kansas, 2005		
Selected Statistics	Number	Percent
<u>Number of Previous Pregnancies:</u>		
None	3,085	29.3
One	2,180	20.7
Two	1,907	18.1
Three	1,411	13.4
Four	931	8.8
Five	490	4.6
Six	266	2.5
Seven or more	272	2.6
Not Stated	0	n.a.
Total Reported	10,542	100.0
<u>Number of Living Children:</u>		
None	4,347	41.3
One	2,764	26.2
Two	2,120	20.1
Three	908	8.6
Four	298	2.8
Five or more	105	1.0
Not Stated	0	n.a.
Total Reported	10,542	100.0
<u>Number of Previous Spontaneous Terminations:</u>		
None	8,904	84.5
One	1,286	12.2
Two	249	2.4
Three	66	0.6
Four or more	37	0.3
Not Stated	0	n.a.
Total Reported	10,542	100.0
<u>Previous Induced Abortions:</u>		
None	6,500	61.6
One	2,570	24.4
Two	957	9.1
Three	303	2.9
Four or more	212	2.0
Not Stated	0	n.a.
Total Reported	10,542	100.0

Source: KDHE Center for Health and Environmental Statistics, Office of Health Care Information

Reported Abortions by Place of Residence Kansas, 1971-2005				
Year	Total	Out-of-State Residents	Kansas Residents	N.S.
1971.....	9,472	5,763	3,709	0
1972.....	12,248	7,736	4,512	0
1973.....	12,612	7,695	4,917	0
1974.....	10,171	4,503	5,657	11
1975.....	9,160	3,565	5,581	14
1976.....	9,154	3,455	5,686	13
1977.....	7,965	2,918	5,045	2
1978.....	9,740	3,957	5,722	61
1979.....	12,335	5,042	7,281	12
1980.....	11,791	4,750	7,038	3
1981.....	10,448	4,150	6,291	7
1982.....	9,976	3,823	6,153	0
1983.....	8,547	3,218	5,329	0
1984.....	8,008	2,689	5,319	0
1985.....	7,092	2,447	4,645	0
1986.....	6,561	2,316	4,245	0
1987.....	6,409	2,357	4,052	0
1988.....	7,930	3,161	4,769	0
1989.....	8,984 *	3,270	4,149	1,565 ***
1990.....	9,459 *	3,341	4,175	1,943 ***
1991.....	10,141 *	4,071	6,070	0
1992.....	11,135 *	4,904	6,231	0
1993.....	11,247	4,853	6,394	0
1994.....	10,847	4,245	6,596	6
1995.....	11,149 **	4,562	6,566	21
1996.....	11,181	4,367	6,806	8
1997.....	11,507	4,973	6,532	2
1998.....	11,624	5,184	6,440	0
1999.....	12,445	6,029	6,416	0
2000.....	12,327	5,971	6,356	0
2001.....	12,422	6,003	6,419	0
2002.....	11,844	5,546	6,298	0
2003.....	11,697	5,534	6,163	0
2004.....	11,446 ****	5,475	5,971	0
2005.....	10,542	4,914	5,628	0

* The increase in the 1989-1992 figures may not reflect an increase in the number of abortions being performed but rather an increase in the number of providers voluntarily reporting data.

** As of July 1, 1995, reporting became mandatory for every medical care facility and every person licensed to practice medicine and surgery.

*** Residency data was not available for all abortions in 1989-1990. However, due to improved reporting, residency was obtained for most of the abortions reported in subsequent years.

****1971-2004 numbers final, 2005 number preliminary

**Induced Abortions
By County of Residence of Patient
Kansas, 2005**

County	Total	County	Total	County	Total
Kansas Residents	5,628				
Allen	15	Greeley	0	Osborne	3
Anderson	5	Greenwood	14	Ottawa	8
Atchison	25	Hamilton	3	Pawnee	3
Barber	3	Harper	7	Phillips	4
Barton	34	Harvey	42	Pottawatomie	13
Bourbon	16	Haskell	3	Pratt	12
Brown	12	Hodgeman	2	Rawlins	0
Butler	71	Jackson	18	Reno	91
Chase	5	Jefferson	16	Republic	1
Chautauqua	0	Jewell	3	Rice	10
Cherokee	9	Johnson	1,235	Riley	170
Cheyenne	2	Kearny	6	Rooks	3
Clark	0	Kingman	8	Rush	1
Clay	8	Kiowa	5	Russell	12
Cloud	10	Labette	24	Saline	79
Coffey	5	Lane	2	Scott	1
Comanche	0	Leavenworth	125	Sedgwick	1,254
Cowley	36	Lincoln	1	Seward	50
Crawford	58	Linn	12	Shawnee	373
Decatur	0	Logan	2	Sheridan	0
Dickinson	17	Lyon	68	Sherman	3
Doniphan	6	Marion	11	Smith	0
Douglas	339	Marshall	6	Stafford	2
Edwards	3	McPherson	28	Stanton	3
Elk	0	Meade	3	Stevens	2
Ellis	42	Miami	44	Sumner	31
Ellsworth	6	Mitchell	4	Thomas	6
Finney	57	Montgomery	48	Trego	2
Ford	56	Morris	8	Wabaunsee	5
Franklin	37	Morton	3	Wallace	0
Geary	94	Nemaha	4	Washington	0
Gove	3	Neosho	7	Wichita	1
Graham	3	Ness	3	Wilson	13
Grant	5	Norton	0	Woodson	7
Gray	9	Osage	17	Wyandotte	679
				Unknown ¹	13

¹ County of residence information not collected by some states that provide data on abortions to Kansas residents occurring in those states.

**Induced Abortions on Out-of-State Residents
By State and Age, 2005**

State	Under 18	Total	State	Under 18	Total
Out-of-state residents	339	4,914			
Alabama	1	3	New Mexico	1	2
Alaska	0	0	New York	1	23
Arizona	0	8	North Carolina	0	1
Arkansas	2	16	North Dakota	0	3
California	0	11	Ohio	2	15
Colorado	2	11	Oklahoma	17	221
Connecticut	0	6	Oregon	0	0
Delaware	0	0	Pennsylvania	1	6
District of Columbia	0	1	Rhode Island	1	1
Florida	3	14	South Carolina	1	1
Georgia	1	10	South Dakota	0	2
Hawaii	0	1	Tennessee	0	4
Idaho	0	0	Texas	10	50
Illinois	7	31	Utah	0	0
Indiana	1	8	Vermont	0	1
Iowa	0	18	Virginia	1	6
Kentucky	0	1	Washington	0	0
Louisiana	2	6	West Virginia	1	3
Maine	0	1	Wisconsin	1	12
Maryland	1	7	Wyoming	0	1
Massachusetts	2	13			
Michigan	2	7			
Minnesota	3	21	Puerto Rico	0	3
Mississippi	0	3	Canada	5	44
Missouri	265	4,276	All other Countries	3	7
Montana	0	4			
Nebraska	0	13			
Nevada	0	2			
New Hampshire	0	1			
New Jersey	2	15			

Source: KDHE Center for Health and Environmental Statistics, Office of Health Care Information

Abortions Performed at 22 Weeks or More Statistics

Physicians reporting abortions performed at 22 weeks or more were required to fill out three numbered questions on the back of the VS-213 form. In 2005, 414 abortions were performed at 22 weeks or more. The questions and answers are provided below for Kansas and out-of-state residents. Data represent reported abortions for the past calendar year. A sample VS-213 form is contained in the appendices.

14) Reasons for determining gestational age 22 weeks or more

Answers	KS Residents	Out-of-State Residents	Total
Sonogram	1	0	1
Physical examination	0	0	0
Physical examination, sonogram results and last menstrual period (if known).	32	379	411
Based on sonogram and biparietal diameter (BPD), determined gestational age to be 22 weeks.	1	1	2
Last menstrual period, sonogram, and perinatal consultation	0	0	0
Estimated date of delivery/confinement and ultrasound	0	0	0
Sonogram and Last Menses	0	0	0
Followup Visit	0	0	0
Not Stated	0	0	0
Total	34	380	414

15a) Was the fetus viable?

Answers	KS Residents	Out-of-State Residents	Total
Yes	5	235	240
No	29	145	174
Not Stated	0	0	0
Total	34	380	414

15b) Reasons for determination of fetus viability

Answers	KS Residents	Out-of-State Residents	Total
It is the professional judgement of the attending physician that there is a reasonable probability that this pregnancy may be viable.	5	235	240
It is the professional judgement of the attending physician that there is a reasonable probability that this pregnancy is not viable.	27	144	171
No reasonable probability at this gestational age.	1	1	2
Ultrasound - Extreme immaturity of heart and lungs	0	0	0
Hypoplastic Left Heart, Chromosome abnormality	0	0	0
0 Apgar score; mother had severe oligohydramnios; fetus had poly/multicystic kidney disease	1	0	1

Abortions Performed at 22 Weeks or More Statistics (continued)

15b) Reasons for determination of fetus viability (continued)

Answers	KS Residents	Out-of-State Residents	Total
Diagnosis by genetic specialist with no amniotic fluid and other abnormalities	0	0	0
Extreme Immaturity of Organs	0	0	0
Anencephaly	0	0	0
Hypoplastic L Heart determined by Level 2 ULS and perinatology consultation	0	0	0
Trisomy 22 Hydrocephaly	0	0	0
Not Stated	0	0	0
Total	34	380	414

16a) If 15a was yes, was this abortion necessary to:

Answers	KS Residents	Out-of-State Residents	Total
Prevent patient's death	0	0	0
Prevent substantial and irreversible impairment of a major bodily function	5	235	240
Total	5	235	240

16b) If 15a was yes, reasons for determination in 16a:

Answers	KS Residents	Out-of-State Residents	Total
The patient would suffer substantial and irreversible impairment of a major bodily function if she were forced to continue the pregnancy.	5	235	240
Total	5	235	240

16c) If 15a was yes, basis for determination in 16a:

Answers	KS Residents	Out-of-State Residents	Total
Gestational and diagnostic information provided by the referring physician and other health care professional(s) as well as examination and interview of the patient by attending physician.	5	235	240
The patient is suffering a medical emergency. Based on examination and interview of the patient by the attending physician, the physician judges that the abortion is necessary to prevent substantial and permanent damage to a major bodily function.	0	0	0
Total	5	235	240

All Reported Data

Source: KDHE Center for Health and Environmental Statistics, Office of Health Care Information

"Partial Birth" Procedure Statistics

Physicians reporting "partial birth" abortions were required to fill out three numbered questions on the back of the VS-213 form. Those questions and the answers are provided below for Kansas and out-of-state residents. The questions would be in addition to those filled out if gestation was 22 weeks or more. All data are occurrence. The data represent a full year of reporting. A sample VS-213 form is in the appendices. No "partial birth" abortions were reported in 2005 in Kansas.

Number of "partial birth" procedures

Time Period	KS Residents	Out-of-State Residents	Total
January 1 - March 31	0	0	0
April 1 - June 30	0	0	0
July 1 - September 30	0	0	0
October 1 - December 31	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0

17a) For terminations where "partial birth" procedure was performed, was fetus viable?

Answers	KS Residents	Out-of-State Residents	Total
Yes	0	0	0
No	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0

17b) Reasons for determination of fetus viability

Answers	KS Residents	Out-of-State Residents	Total
It is the professional judgement of the attending physician that there is a reasonable probability that this pregnancy is not viable.	0	0	0
It is the professional judgement of the attending physician that there is a reasonable probability that this pregnancy may be viable.	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0

"Partial Birth" Procedure Statistics (continued)

18a) Was this abortion necessary to:

Answers	KS Residents	Out-of-State Residents	Total
Prevent patient's death	0	0	0
Prevent substantial and irreversible impairment of a major bodily function	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0

18a) If the abortion was necessary to prevent substantial and irreversible impairment of a major bodily function, was the impairment:

Answers	KS Residents	Out-of-State Residents	Total
Physical	0	0	0
Mental	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0

18b) Reasons for Determination of 18a

Answers	KS Residents	Out-of-State Residents	Total
Based on the patient's history and physical examination by the attending physician and referral and consultation by an unassociated physician, the attending physician believes that continuing the pregnancy will constitute a substantial and irreversible impairment of the patient's mental function	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0

Occurrence Data

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